

I am a new subscriber to XM Radio. When I found out about the wide variety of channels offered via satellite radio, I immediately wanted to know more about this new technology. Within 24 hours of discovering it's existence, I was a new and enthusiastic customer. One of the most compelling features offered by satellite radio was the great diversity of programs and information available, especially the talk and entertainment channels as well as the news and weather channels. As a grown woman of 50 years of age, commercial fm radio has long since lost my interest. Rarely is my radio tuned to any thing other than talk, news, or weather stations, ususally on the am dial.

I wholeheartedly support satellite radio, I have told countless others about the many benefits and enjoyable qualities of the service, and I strongly urge the FCC to reject the National Association of Broadcasters' petition 04-160.

Satellite radio is delivering the type of programming that commercial broadcasters are neglecting and that the public is desiring, just as Ted Turner did when he introduced CNN not so many years ago. Innovative technology and an exciting new 'service' should not be punished for its creativity and initiative in the marketplace, but rather lauded and encouraged.